

Limited Purpose Annexation

What is limited purpose annexation?

A home-rule city with a population of more than 225,000 may annex an area for the limited purpose of applying its planning, zoning building health and safety ordinances in the area to prevent incompatible land uses. Ensure sound and safe habitable structures and protect environmental resources. The area must be within the City's extraterritorial jurisdiction and contiguous to the boundaries of the city. Limited purpose annexation does not extend the city's extraterritorial jurisdiction.

Do residents pay city property taxes?

No. The City may not impose a tax on any property in an area annexed for limited purposes or on any resident of the area for an activity occurring in the area. The City may impose reasonable charges for zoning, subdivision and building inspection and permit fees. City sales taxes are not collected by businesses.

Can residents vote?

They may vote for normal elections and recall elections. They may not vote for bond issues.

Can residents hold city office?

No. A resident of an area annexed for limited purposes is not eligible to be a candidate for or be elected to a municipal office.

What services are provided?

Planning, zoning, and health and safety ordinances are extended to the area. When the area is annexed for full purposes, all municipal services are provided to residents.

When is the area annexed for full purposes?

Within three years of the limited purpose annexation or before August 2007 for this area.

The City is required to complete certain actions during the three years that lead up to the annexation for full purposes:

- **First year:** By the end of the first year after the date the area is annexed for limited purposes, the City must develop a land use and intensity plan as a basis for service to the area.
- **Second year:** By the end of the second year, include the area in the city's long-range financial forecast and program to identify future capital improvements.
- **Third year:** By the end of the third year, include projects intended to serve the area with potential funding sources in its adopted capital improvements program.